

THE SEASON OF GIFTS.—The admirer of decorative art, both of home and foreign manufacture, will be much gratified by paying a visit to Messrs. Taylor & Maury's bookstore, which offers this season more than ordinary attractions. Our enterprising fellow citizens anxious to foster a growing taste for the arts, have collected a variety of the choicest works in every department. Amongst the thousands and one elegancies which greet the eye, we observed most exquisite specimens in terra cotta, porcelain, paper mache, bronze and silver. The selection of books will delight the literary connoisseur, while the juveniles, who revel in comicallities will regard Messrs. Taylor & Maury as large contributors to their Christmas amusement.

BALLS ON NEW YEAR'S NIGHT.—The Teachers' Club will hold their grand ball at Odgers' Hall, Navy Yard, on new year's night. They will, no doubt, have a fine time of it.

The German Yagers are also to have a ball at Carusi's Saloon on the same night, when a large company of gallant men and beautiful ladies will grace the saloon.

We would remind the numerous readers of the Star of the concert to be given by the Washington Euterpeans at the Forrest Hall on Monday night. An attractive programme will be presented and the audience entertained with an excellent selection of songs, some of the greatest attractions of the evening will be the presentation of a handsome silver cup to the Euterpeans by their Georgetown friends, as an evidence of the high estimate placed upon their musical talents. We have been requested to say that the Hall has been newly furnished and will be thoroughly warmed for the occasion. Go, one and all, and enjoy the fun.

The exhibition of the Sabbath School of the Methodist Protestant Church, which was to have taken place on Thursday night, was postponed until Monday night next, at 7 o'clock. Quite an attractive programme will be presented.

A watch meeting will be held on Sunday night at the Methodist church, commencing at 9 o'clock. One or more interesting sermons may be expected.

On Christmas day, the inmates of our Alma House, had quite a sumptuous dinner, through the liberality of W. W. Cooran, Esq., who made them a donation of \$50, for the occasion.

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Which will be sold as low as can be ordered from the North, by
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